



Boardwalk at Salisbury Beach

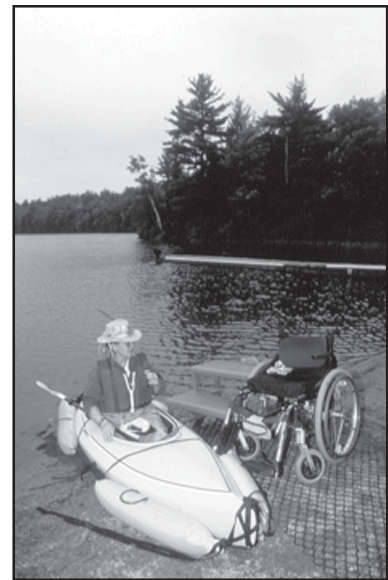
Summer season in Massachusetts lasts from mid-June to the beginning of September. Travelers and natives alike flock to New England's popular lakes, beaches, and coast. Boston empties as its large student population departs for Summer vacation, and the city comes alive with innumerable outdoor concerts and festivals. Music lovers take advantage of the balmy days to sit and be serenaded at these concerts in the city's parks. The Berkshires, Massachusetts' westernmost region, play host to world renown Summer theater and serve as the seasonal home of the Boston Symphony. In the north the White and Green Mountain National Forests we take advantage of hiking, biking, boating and camping opportunities.



Horseneck Beach, Buzzards Bay



South Pond, Savoy Mountain



Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) State Forest, Goshin

University and College Fund Type

This fund type combines, in accordance with the AICPA Audit Guide for College and Universities, the financial activity from all fund types for: the University of Massachusetts System, the State College System and the Community College System.

University of Massachusetts System includes the campuses at Amherst, Boston, Lowell, Dartmouth and Worcester Medical School campuses, the central administration office and the UMass Building Authority. In addition, the UMass Foundation, UMass Dartmouth Foundation and the Worcester City Campus Corporation (doing business as UMass Health System) are included.

State College System includes the nine state colleges which provide four-year post-secondary education programs and the system's building authority.

Bridgewater State College
Fitchburg State College
Framingham State College
Massachusetts College of Art
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
Massachusetts Maritime Academy
Massachusetts State College Building Authority
Salem State College
Westfield State College
Worcester State College

Community College System includes the fifteen community colleges which provide two-year post secondary education programs.

Berkshire Community College
Bristol Community College
Bunker Hill Community College
Cape Cod Community College
Greenfield Community College
Holyoke Community College
Massachusetts Bay Community College
Massasoit Community College
Middlesex Community College
Mount Wachusett Community College
Northern Essex Community College
North Shore Community College
Quinsigamond Community College
Roxbury Community College
Springfield Technical Community College

Why do leaves change color? Native-American legend says that the red leaves symbolize the killing of the Great Bear of the Heavens; the yellow leaves represent the cooking fires. The more prosaic explanation is that the colors are already present in the leaves but are hidden by green chlorophyll. The warm, sunny days and cool nights of early fall cause the trees to produce a corky substance that blocks the flow of water to the leaves. Without water, the chlorophyll breaks down, revealing the vibrant colors. Once the production stops, the true brilliance of the leaf is revealed in bright yellows, oranges, reds, browns, and even sometimes purples!

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